

ATTACHMENT B

E-Rate Bid Assessment Worksheet

Funding Year 2004

Project or Service
Description

Internet Access – See posted RFP

Vendor Price:	
CAS	\$21,035.00
Qwest	\$87,612.00
Merit	\$64,160.00

Vendor Scoring

Selection Criteria	Weight*	CAS		Merit		Qwest	
		Raw Score**	Weighted Score***	Raw Score	Weighted Score	Raw Score	Weighted Score
Prices/Charges	50%	90	45	60	30	30	15
Prior Experience	20%	90	18	100	20	80	16
Understanding of Needs	5%	90	4.5	90	4.5	50	2.5
Personnel Qualifications	10%	100	10	100	10	50	5
Compatibility with district hardware/software standards as set forth within district's long range technology plan	5%	100	5	100	5	100	5
Ability to upgrade and adapt to technological advances	5%	100	5	100	5	100	5
Completeness of response and adherence to bid specifications	5%	90	4.5	60	3	30	1.5
Overall Ranking	100%	92.0		77.5		50.0	

Vendor Selected: Crystal Automation Systems

Approved By:

Title:

Date:

Notes:

* Percentage weights must add up to 100%. Price must be weighted the heaviest.

** Evaluated on a scale of 1 to 5: 1=worst, 5=best.

*** Weight x Raw Score

Bid Assessment Comments, if needed:

Vendors were evaluated on each criteria based upon a 100-point scale.

1. CAS to deliver bandwidth via wireless. Additional bandwidth may be purchased without reconfiguration of services. Current provider.
2. Merit price does not include telco. Most cost-effective telco delivery charges to be added to monthly bill.
3. Qwest does not offer email or web hosting services as requested. Additional services would need to be purchased through a third party.

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Other factors considered within discussions:

Financial Stability
Comply with the spirit of the district's long range technology plan
Compatibility with district hardware/software standards as
Completeness of response and
Summary of project
Capability of the bidder to successfully complete the installation within the required time frame



Crystal Automation Systems, Inc

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Quotation

Attn: Roger Keck
For: Ashley Community Schools
104 New St., PO Box 6
Ashley, MI 48806

Quote No. 2573
Date: January 6, 2004
Page: 1
Ticket: 9594

Quantity	Description	Unit Cost	Total
	For: Internet Access		
	Form 470 Application Number: 820830000479557 Applicant's Form Identifier: Internet Effective date 7-1-2004 to 6-30-2005 Cas Spin#143-004-346 Description: 1) 9Mbit Internet Connection servicing 1 buildings with 1000 students and staff. High Speed Tier 1 Internet Access. Connections are One hop away from Qwest OC192 Internet Backbone to Chicago. School connections are heavy use connections. Connections peer with 5 ISD's, MAISD, GIRESD, CGRESA, CCRESA, ICISD. Ping times taken from existing demark. 38ms avg. ping times to www.google.com 42ms avg. ping times to www.yahoo.com Pings blocked by Microsoft to www.microsoft.com 10/100/1000Mbit Ethernet Interface as point of demark. Included at no additional fee... Spam tagged and filtered Email via POP3, IMAP4, and Web Browser for all students and staff with unlimited listserv service. District tech admin login for Email, Web, and all Firewall services. 24/7 Error and Utilization Monitoring with local school technician paging. 24/7 4 hr maximum service response time. 1-800 Hotline for emergency notification and information. Web interface Utilization Graphing. DNS services including local school domain hosting running on multiple servers. <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ 10gb of web data storage▪ 5gb of web transfer per month▪ Web interface for sub-domains▪ Web interface to add users and security▪ Full Statistics for all web services CIPA compliant Proxy caching/Filtering appliance at local network level.		

471 Application #:
396010
FRN #: 1082434

*Quote Pending For 30 Days. Memory and CPU Prices Subject to Change.
Price Subject to Applicable Sales Tax*

Delivery: July 1, 2004

Terms: Standard Educational / SLD Partial Payment

FOB: Crystal Automation Systems, Inc.

By: Jerry Weissberg, President



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ PPTP and 3Des VPN availability▪ Stateful packet inspection▪ DHCP Service availability▪ Web interface management▪ Full logging for Firewall and HTTP▪ Full statistics for all traffic <p>All end to end support included to maintain Internet connectivity as allowed by SLD. CAS to invoice SLD for USF portion of invoice</p> <p>On Site Equipment 1) Astaro Firewall Appliance 1) Trango Wireless System 1) Liebert 1500VA GXT-UPS Ashley Community Schools High/Middle/Elementary/Board Office (NC) All telco fees to provide internet included.</p>		
12		1750	21000
1	Domain Name Registration Annual Fee for "bearnet.net"		35
Add-Alt1	Two Year Optional Contract Per Month	1662.50	
Add-Alt2	Three Year Optional Contract Per Month	1575	
			\$21,035.00

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Vendor: **CAS**
 Contact: Jerry Weissberg

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Prices/Charges	50%	90	45
Prior Experience	20%	90	18
Understanding of Needs	5%	90	4.5
Personnel Qualifications	10%	100	10
Compatability with district hardware/software standards as set forth	5%	100	5
Ability to upgrade and adapt to technological advances	5%	100	5
Completeness of response and adherence to bid specifications	5%	90	4.5
Link to summary page		Summary Page	

Overall Ranking

100%

92

NOTES

1 Price = \$21,035

2 Includes most of services requested on RFP

3 Wireless

Qwest Pricing for Ashley Community Schools
based upon Micta Price List

	<i>Each</i>	<i>Annual</i>	<i>NRC</i>	
9.0 mbit bandwidth (ATM)	1087/T1/month	\$ 82,080.00	\$ 3,000.00	Note: Channelized T1
Web Hosting	Purchased from Merit	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 50.00	at 1344/156 mbit
1 500-pack E-mail	Purchased from Merit	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 500.00	
		\$ 101,280.00	\$ 3,550.00	
		Discount = 17%	\$ 17,217.60	
		Total Annual Fee (MRC)	\$ 84,062.40	
			TOTAL	\$ 87,612.40

Vendor: Qwest

Contact: Micta Price list @ www.micta.org

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Overall Ranking

100%

50

NOTES

- 1 Price: \$87,612
- 2 Minimal experience with education
- 3 Expensive
- 4 Does not include email or web hosting
- 5 Direct link to Internet backbone (i.e. minimal hops)
- 6 Reliability and quality unknown



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Huntington Williams, III, *President*

December 23, 2003

Roger Keck
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RE: USF Form 470
Form 470 Application Number: 820830000479557
Billing Account Number: DED-JBM-c20031223d
Merit SPIN: 143-004-331

Mr. Keck:

This quote provides cost information for providing Internet access service via MichNet to Ashley Community School District. MichNet is our regional network that connects schools, colleges universities, libraries, health care organizations, government agencies, research institutions, and businesses throughout Michigan to the world-wide Internet.

The body of this letter details Merit's dedicated connection service. A description of the proposed attachment for Ashley Community School District and the associated one-time and ongoing costs is found in Appendix A of this letter.

Services and Support

Merit's direct connection service provides a stable and reliable dedicated connection to the Internet. This is an end-to-end service which Merit manages and maintains in order to ensure proper functioning of your Internet service. Costs for the service include:

- Any new equipment at each connection site;
- A one-time Merit setup and installation fee;
- A one-time data circuit installation fee;
- An annual access fee for the connection to the MichNet backbone;
- An annual contracted bandwidth fee (affiliate fee);
- Materials, parts and labor associated with the installation.

A Non-Profit Corporation Governed by Its 13 Member Universities

- Central Michigan University • Eastern Michigan University • Ferris State University • Grand Valley State University • Lake Superior State University •
- Michigan State University • Michigan Technological University • Northern Michigan University • Oakland University •
- Saginaw Valley State University • University of Michigan • Wayne State University • Western Michigan University •

The one-time fees cover the initial Internet service installation, including installation of the carrier circuit. Merit provides the router(s), DSU/CSUs or other router/switch interfaces, and diagnostic modem which are required to provide your Internet access. Ongoing fees cover the data circuit, equipment maintenance, support of your Internet service, and ongoing services provided by Merit technical staff. Ongoing costs are based on the type and speed of connections to the network backbone. Costs for on-site, out-of-warranty service are \$70 per hour on site, \$45 per hour for travel, 0.31¢ per mile during normal service periods, and \$140 per hour on site, \$90 per hour for travel, 0.31¢ per mile outside of normal service periods.

In addition to the physical connection, we emphasize personalized customer service and support for your organization once it is attached to MichNet and the Internet. Support services include:

- Primary and secondary Domain Name Service (DNS) administration for up to three domains
- public IP address space as required by your organization for no additional cost
- Multicast services
- IPv6
- UseNet News service
- Online access to your organization's network statistics, including MichNet
- backbone statistics
- Network time server
- Virtual private networks (VPNs) available for additional cost

Merit will assist you in obtaining your domain name if you do not have one, and provide as many IP numbers as you need to operate your network. Merit will also help your organization establish a domain name server, and will provide primary and/or secondary DNS for you while your name server is being configured or if your organization lacks the resources to support DNS.

Merit continuously monitors all aspects of MichNet including all circuits, backbone and customer premise routers from our fully staffed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (24 x 7) Network Operations Center (NOC). Should something happen with any aspect of the connection, the NOC will coordinate circuit repairs with carriers and dispatch on-call personnel when needed. Designated contacts from your organization are able to call the NOC for immediate assistance should you encounter any problems with the connection.

This quote and your purchase order together comprise your organization's contract with Merit. Upon receipt of a purchase order, the K12-Library Support Team from the Merit Members & Affiliates Services group will become your main contact with Merit. One team member will work directly with you to facilitate the installation process. After installation, team members will be available during business hours to address questions or problems, to offer support, and/or

to put you in touch with other Merit staff for particular needs such as network design and security consulting.

On-going professional support is also included as part of your affiliate relationship with Merit. Some of those resources include:

- **New site orientation** provided prior to the initial connection of your organization to MichNet. You will receive information tailored to your needs; the orientation will cover Merit policies, DNS, IP addressing and other topics;
- **MichNet Webcast Seminars** held several times each year;
- **Merit's Joint Technical Staff (MJTS) meetings** occur regularly to help your organization keep current with Internet technology and events. MJTS also provides an ideal forum for networking with technical and user support staff from Merit member and affiliate organizations. More extensive consulting and seminars can be arranged under contract;
- **Netsec participation** provides a forum by way of the Network Security mailing list to discuss technologies, processes, procedures, etc., relating to network security and traffic analysis;
- **Merit Annual Meeting** for Members and Affiliates occurring in May or June each year. Information on these meetings can be found at <http://www.merit.edu/merit/annual/>.

You also have access to statistics showing your organization's total bandwidth usage, along with bandwidth utilization at individual locations, plus an optional newsfeed, and a network time service. The *MichNet High-Speed Connection Services* product information describes Merit's service and support in more detail and is found online at:

<http://www.merit.edu/merit/products/dedicated-connections.html/>.

Affiliate Responsibilities

Your organization must provide a voice grade phone line that will connect to the router. In the event that there are problems, Merit may access the router and diagnose problems with the circuit that links your site to the network backbone. This line cannot go through a switchboard, and Merit supplies the modem.

Your organization is eligible to become a member of MiCTA, a national telecommunications association for education, government, and other non-profit groups. MiCTA members receive a substantial discount on a variety of communications hardware, software and services, including Merit affiliate fees. The quoted affiliate fees reflect MiCTA group rates and your organization must join (or remain a member of) MiCTA to receive the reduced rates. For more information about MiCTA and its programs, please see their website at: <http://www.micta.org/>.

Terms and Conditions

Merit offers contracts for one, two, three, or five years. A multi-year contract offers some reduction of the Merit affiliate fee and guarantees that the affiliate fee will not increase during the length of the contract. Please be aware that there are financial conditions for dropping service before a multi-year contract has ended. More information is available in Merit's *Conditions of Use Policy*, items #12 and #13.

Your organization must agree to follow Merit's *Conditions of Use Policy* and *Acceptable Use Policy*, found in Appendix B of this letter. Costs in this quote are good for 90 days from the date of this letter.

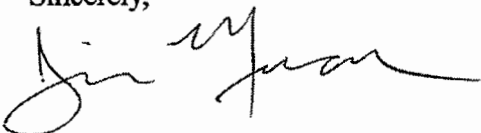
To initiate the ordering process, please send a purchase order to my attention (faxed PO's must be followed up by U.S. mail). Your PO should list the following:

- Reference this letter and quote;
- Type of service, e.g., direct connection and amount of bandwidth;
- Costs for the respective bandwidth and service;
- Contract term.

You may also reference this letter, copy the appropriate cost tables, and clearly highlight your selection, including the contract term, and send with the PO.

I will follow up with you soon to see if I can answer any questions. However, if you have questions, please don't hesitate to call me at my desk (734) 936-2140, on my cell phone (734) 476-3969, or send E-mail to jimmoran@merit.edu. For more information about Merit, please see the enclosed material, or visit our web page at <http://www.merit.edu/>. We look forward to working with you in the near future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Moran", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jim Moran
Network Sales Consultant

encl.

Appendix A

Attachment Description

We propose attachment for Ashley Community School District via one or more Verizon frame relay T1s to our MichNet backbone.

One-time Costs

The total one-time costs for the attachments proposed here includes all equipment required to provide a managed end-to-end service to Ashley Community School District. We will locate Merit owned and managed equipment at your premises. One time-costs may be lower if Ashley Community School District provides such equipment. The table below details the one-time costs for attachments at the indicated circuit speed:

circuit speed	total one-time cost
T1 (1.5 Mbps)	\$3,090
2xT1 (3.0 Mbps)	\$3,995
3xT1 (4.5 Mbps)	\$6,473
4xT1 (6.0 Mbps)	\$7,378

Ongoing Costs

The table below shows the *TOTAL* ongoing costs at available contract terms. The section that follows details the components of those costs.

Fixed Bandwidth	1-year term		2-year term		3-year term		5-year term	
	annual	monthly	annual	monthly	annual	monthly	annual	monthly
1.5 mbps	\$16,356	\$1,363	\$14,316	\$1,193	\$13,476	\$1,123	\$12,516	\$1,043
3 mbps	\$29,472	\$2,456	\$26,112	\$2,176	\$24,552	\$2,046	\$22,752	\$1,896
4.5 mbps	\$42,082	\$3,507	\$38,002	\$3,167	\$35,722	\$2,977	\$33,202	\$2,767
6 mbps	\$54,298	\$4,525	\$49,138	\$4,095	\$46,138	\$3,845	\$42,778	\$3,565

Cost Components

The annual ongoing cost for the attachments proposed here consists of the annual access fee(s) for the circuit(s), plus the annual contracted bandwidth fee for the bandwidth.

The annual access fees for the attachments proposed here is detailed in the table below:

circuit speed	annual access fee 1 & 2 yr term	annual access fee 3 yr term	annual access fee 5yr term
T1 (1.5 Mbps)	\$6,516	\$6,156	\$5,796
2xT1 (3.0 Mbps)	\$13,032	\$12,312	\$11,592
3xT1 (4.5 Mbps)	\$19,522	\$18,442	\$17,362
4xT1 (6.0 Mbps)	\$25,738	\$24,298	\$22,858

The table below details the annual fees for bandwidth usage at fixed increments from 1.5 Mbps to 6.0 Mbps.

Annual Ongoing Costs for Fixed Bandwidth				
Contracted Bandwidth	1-year Term	2-year Term	3-year Term	5-year Term
1.5 Mbps	\$9,840	\$7,800	\$7,320	\$6,720
3 Mbps	\$16,440	\$13,080	\$12,240	\$11,160
4.5 Mbps	\$22,560	\$18,480	\$17,280	\$15,840
6 Mbps	\$28,560	\$23,400	\$21,840	\$19,920

MichNet Conditions of Use Policy

12 July 2002

The following conditions apply unless explicitly agreed otherwise in writing:

1. Organizations with MichNet attachments may not provide direct, permanent network attachments to third parties except as allowed in the MichNet Third-Party Connections Policy.
2. Affiliates are responsible for the fees associated with their MichNet attachments and services from the date of installation until they explicitly notify Merit that they wish to terminate their attachment.
3. A one (1) year contract term is assumed unless a longer term is requested. Affiliates may terminate their MichNet attachment at any time (see item 12 below). Any unused prepaid fees will be refunded. One-time installation charges are not refundable. For affiliate attachments which do not involve a Universal Service Fund (USF) discount, one-time equipment charges are partially refundable for a period of three years following installation so long as the equipment is in good condition and the model is still being used for new installations and upgrades.
4. Merit is responsible for the twenty-four-hour-a-day, seven-days-a-week operation and maintenance of the MichNet backbone, dial-in and server facilities as well as the Merit-supplied circuit and equipment at the affiliate site. Affiliates are responsible for the operation and maintenance of their local area networks, computers and other equipment. Affiliates must provide a voice grade phone line for use by Merit in remote diagnostics.
5. All equipment supplied and monitored by Merit at the affiliate site is owned by Merit. For affiliate attachments that don't involve a USF discount, Merit will sell direct attachment equipment paid for by an affiliate to the affiliate for one dollar if the affiliate terminates its MichNet attachment.
6. For a period of ninety (90) days from the date of installation, Merit will correct any problems with new equipment that it supplies at the affiliate site at no additional charge, unless those problems are caused by fire, flood, vandalism or similar events. Some manufacturers' warranties extend beyond 90 days, in which case, Merit will not charge for any parts covered by the warranty during the warranty period. In addition, Merit acquires an extended warranty on behalf of the affiliate for all routers and switches that covers the cost of parts for repairs or replacements, unless the problem is caused by fire, flood, vandalism or similar events.
7. Merit is responsible for the maintenance and repair of its equipment at backbone sites and all Merit owned dial-in equipment. Merit staff will determine which operating system(s) and version(s) will be used in and will determine when upgrades or patches will be applied to equipment supplied by Merit.

8. After the initial ninety (90) day period, Merit will supply on-site maintenance and repair services on a time and materials basis between 7 a.m. and 4 p.m. during non-holiday workdays. Maintenance and repair services during other times must be arranged in advance. Affiliates are responsible for paying Merit for maintenance and repair (including time, materials and mileage) of all Merit provided direct attachment equipment at their sites that is not covered by warranty or extended warranty. For equipment still under manufacturer's warranty, or covered by extended warranty (as discussed in item 6 above), affiliates are responsible for paying time and mileage only.

9. Merit will provide software and firmware upgrades at no charge for equipment supplied by Merit at the affiliate site if the upgrades are required to maintain compatibility with the equipment and software used in the MichNet backbone.

10. Optional equipment upgrades that add new features or provide increased performance may be requested and installed at the affiliate's expense.

11. Replacement of equipment that is no longer supported by its manufacturer and which has reached the end of its useful life is the responsibility of the affiliate.

12. If an affiliate terminates a contract before the contract term is over and has received a discount as a result of a contract term longer than one (1) year, the affiliate is responsible for an early termination penalty equal to the discount resulting from the longer contract term plus any additional penalty charged by the data circuit provider.

13. The fees that Merit charges are fixed during the contract term, except that Merit reserves the right to adjust its access fees for data circuits and phone lines if Merit is required to pay more for these services under applicable tariffs or regulations.

No Warranties-Limitation of Liabilities

Merit and the operators of any other networks which are used as a result of a MichNet connection do not make any express or implied warranty of any kind. Specifically, there is no express or implied warranty of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose.

The protocols used on the networks (e.g., TCP/IP) call for end-to-end verification of the accuracy of any message and all data sent or received. Such verification is the sole responsibility of the individual or organization using the networks. Neither Merit nor the operators of attached networks will be responsible for any loss from delays, non-deliveries, incorrect deliveries, service interruptions, including those caused by negligence, errors, omissions or other losses or damages. Use of information obtained via the services provided by Merit is at the individual's or organization's own risk. The individual or organization is solely responsible for (a) the accuracy

and/or quality of information obtained or data transmitted and (b) assuring that each message sent has been received.

Neither Merit nor the operators of any attached networks shall be liable for any damage arising from any event that is out of its control. Neither Merit nor the operators of any attached networks shall be liable for indirect, special, incidental, exemplary, consequential, or any other form of money damages, including, but not limited to lost profits, or for the loss of data or information of any kind, however caused, and arising out of or in connection with the performance or the provision of service by Merit or by the operators of any other attached networks, whether based in contract, tort, or any other legal theory, and whether or not Merit or the operators of any attached networks has been made aware of the possibility of such damages.

In no event shall any liability exceed a refund of amounts actually paid to Merit for the then current service period.

MichNet Acceptable Use Policy

12 January 2001

Purpose

The purpose of MichNet is given in Merit Network, Inc.'s Bylaws which state that "in pursuance of its mission in instruction, research, and service it is the role of Merit as the operator of a high-speed digital communications network to contribute broadly to educational and economic development in Michigan".

Acceptable Use

This statement represents a guide to the acceptable use of MichNet. Any Member or Affiliate organization or individual connected to MichNet in order to use the Michigan statewide network, or any other networks which are used as a result of their MichNet connection must comply with this policy and the stated purposes and Acceptable Use policies of any other networks or hosts used.

Each Member and Affiliate organization is responsible for the activity of its users and for ensuring that its users are familiar with this policy or an equivalent policy. In addition each Member and Affiliate is encouraged to maintain and enforce its own Acceptable Use policies. The provisions of this policy govern all use of MichNet, including any unsupervised anonymous network access offered by Members or Affiliates.

The following guidelines will be applied to determine whether or not a particular use of MichNet is appropriate:

1. Users must respect the privacy of others; for example, users shall not intentionally seek information on, obtain copies of, or modify files, other data, or passwords belonging to others, or represent themselves as another user unless explicitly authorized to do so by that user.
2. Users must respect the legal protection provided by copyright and license to programs and data.
3. Users must respect the integrity of computing and network systems; for example, users shall not intentionally develop or use programs that harass other users or infiltrate a computer, computing system or network and/or damage or alter the software components of a computer, computing system or network.
4. Use should be consistent with guiding ethical statements and accepted community standards. Malicious use is not acceptable.
5. MichNet may not be used in ways that violate applicable laws or regulations.
6. Use of MichNet and any attached network in a manner that precludes or significantly hampers its use by others is not allowed.

7. Connections which create routing patterns that are inconsistent with the effective and shared use of the network may not be established.
8. Unsolicited advertising is not acceptable. Advertising is permitted on some Web pages, mailing lists, news groups and similar environments if advertising is explicitly allowed in that environment.
9. Repeated, unsolicited and/or unwanted communication of an intrusive nature is not acceptable. For example, continuing to send e-mail messages to an individual after being asked to stop is not acceptable.

The intent of this policy is to make clear certain uses which are and are not appropriate, not to exhaustively enumerate all such possible uses. Using the guidelines given above, Merit may at any time make determinations that particular uses are or are not appropriate.

Merit will not monitor or judge the content of information transmitted over MichNet, but will investigate complaints of possible inappropriate use. In the course of investigating complaints, Merit staff will safeguard the privacy of all parties and will themselves follow the guidelines given in this policy. Merit will only release sensitive, confidential or personally identifiable information to third parties when required by law or when in Merit's judgment release is required to prevent serious injury or harm that could result from violation of this policy.

Remedial Action

When Merit learns of possible inappropriate use, Merit staff will notify the Member or Affiliate responsible, which must take immediate remedial action and inform Merit of its action. In an emergency, in order to prevent further possible inappropriate activity, Merit may temporarily disconnect a Member or Affiliate from MichNet. If this is deemed necessary by Merit staff, every effort will be made to inform the Member or Affiliate prior to disconnection, and every effort will be made to re-establish the connection as soon as it is mutually deemed safe.

Any determination of inappropriate use serious enough to require disconnection shall be promptly communicated to every member of the Merit Board of Directors through an established means of publication.

Merit Pricing for Ashley Community Schools
based upon Micta Price List

	Annual	Setup
9.0 mbit bandwidth	\$ 42,960.00	???
Web Hosting	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 50.00
1 500-pack E-mail	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 500.00
Internet Server Configuration	\$ 2,000.00	Plus Travel Costs
	\$ 64,160.00	\$ 550.00
TOTAL	\$ 64,160.00	

Vendor: Merit

Contact: Micta Price list @ www.micta.org

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NOTES

- 1 Price = \$64,160
- 2 A lot of experience with education
- 3 A history of bottlenecks
- 4 E-Mail is extremely expensive; consider installing and maintaining our own email server.
- 5 Slower maintenance service
- 6 Telco fees are additional